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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CONSULTANTS

SUBJECT: Guide to Discussion at Session on Middle East

1. The approach and main propositions in [] memorandum will provide topics for discussion. The following list of questions is offered as a guide to Consultants thinking the problem and for possible use in the Middle East session []

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2. The questions set down here are those which we believe the policymaker ought to ask and ought to have answered, if possible. In some cases the answers will depend in large part on intelligence which we do not have, or have in inadequate measure. (The Washington contingent will talk [] about what we do and do not know.) Most of the questions that follow are, however, problems of judgment on which we solicit your views.

General Patterns

3. The big question now is what difference the events of May and June have made in the Middle East and what the longer term effects of these changes will be. We suggest thinking about the general pattern before and after June (a.) in the arab area, (b.) in Israel, (c.) in Arab-Israeli relationships, and (d.) in the relations of the outside world to the area. How have the patterns

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that existed before June 4 been affected by the war and by courses of action since the war, (a.) Arab, (b.) Israeli, (c.) Soviet, and (d.) American?

The Arabs

4. Assuming that he is in charge and able to stay in office in Cairo, what alternative courses can Nasser choose among? What does he appear to be up to? What assumptions does he appear to be making? Are they correct?

5. What has happened to Arab Nationalism and the Arab Unity movement as currency in international politics? Will recent developments affect the way in which other countries treat the Arabs?

6. If Nasser falls, who, if anyone, can negotiate a settlement with Israel?

The Israelis

7. What would the consequences be for Israel of a settlement with the Arabs reached within the next year in which they traded the great bulk of territory occupied in the June war, i.e., everything but a few boundary modifications devised to improve security -- for Arab recognition and a treaty?

8. Consequences for Israel of a decision to hold on to the bulk of occupied territory?

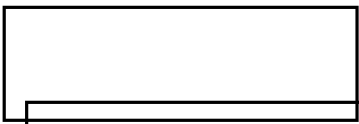
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9. Consequences of something in between?

The Soviets

10. What alternatives do the Soviets have? What course are they likely to elect?



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